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Sent via email to: jschogol@tegna.com

Mr. Jeff D. Schogol 6883 Commercial Drive Springfield, VA 22151

Dear Mr. Schogol:

This is in reference to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Referral dated September 22, 2016. Your referral was received in our office on the same day and assigned FOIA case number DON-NAVY-2016-010032.

We have identified 5 pages of documents (3 SECNAV memoranda) that are responsive to your request. Upon review of these documents, we have determined that they contain instances of personally identifiable information (PII), such as the names, dates of birth, and social security numbers of individuals. These instances of PII are exempt from disclosure under 5 U.S.C. § 552(b) (6), since release of this information would result in a clearly unwarranted invasion of their personal privacy.

Because your request is partially denied, you are advised of your right to appeal this determination by writing to:

Office of the Judge Advocate General 1322 Patterson Ave, SE, Suite 3000 Washington Navy Yard, DC 20374-5066

Your appeal must be postmarked within ninety calendar days from the date of this letter. A copy of your initial request and this letter must accompany the appeal. The appeal should be marked "FREEDOM OF INFORMATION APPEAL" both on the envelope and the face of the letter. In order to expedite the appellate process and ensure full consideration of your appeal, your appeal should contain a brief statement of the reasons you believe this decision to be in error.

In this instance, the fees associated with processing this request were below the minimum threshold and have not been assessed. Please be advised, however, that fees, fee categories, and fee waivers are determined on a case-by-case basis, and a previous determination has no influence on future determinations.

For this determination, you have the right to seek dispute resolution services from the DoD Navy Component FOIA Public Liaison, Mr. Chris Julka, at Christopher.a.julka@navy.mil or (703) 697-0031.

Questions regarding the action this office has taken to process your request may be directed to our FOIA Service Center at (202) 685-0412.

Sincerely,

R. Strong

Head, DON PA/FOIA Program Office

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